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SUBJECT: GUATEMALA HUAN RIGHTS LEAHY AMENDMENT VETTING REQUEST -

The Military Group at Embassy Guatemala has identified the following individuals to participate in the IX United Nations Military ${\bf r}$ Observers Course, to be held from May 4 to 29, 2009, at CREOMPAZ (Regional Center for Peace Keeping Operations), Alta Verapaz, Guatemala. Embassy conducted its own review and found no credible information that the individuals below have been involved in gross human rights violations. Please conduct human rights vetting and advise of any results by April 23, 2009.

NAME: RANK: Otto Hans LUKEN MOREIRA

Infantry Lieutenant Colonel, Guatemalan Army

DOB: March 23, 1968

POB: Guatemala, Guatemala

NAME: Joan Estuardo MENDEZ MENDOZA RANK: Lieutenant, Guatemalan Navy

April 2, 1977 DOB:

POB: Guatemala, Guatemala

NAME: Francisco PINEDA RIVAS

RANK: Artillery Colonel, Guatemalan Army

DOB: April 2, 1967

POB: Guatemala, Guatemala

Edwin Geronimo TOJ COS NAME:

Infantry Captain, Guatemalan Army October 31, 1974 RANK:

DOB:

POB: Suchitepequez, Guatemala

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